



THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF HADDONFIELD

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NEXT MEETING OF THE SOCIETY

September 21, 1982

8 p.m.

Borough Hall

Program

"A Wedding on the Banks of Cooper's Creek"

by Betty and George Stuart Lyons

Thirty-four guests signed Elizabeth Haddon's wedding certificate on the first day of the tenth month in 1702. The well preserved document is on permanent display at the Historical Society of Haddonfield.

On September 21, 1982 at 8 p.m. in the Haddonfield Borough Hall, Betty and George Stuart Lyons will share some of the results of their research into the life of Elizabeth Haddon which relate to this certificate and to Quaker marriages of the period. They will reveal who actually wrote the words on this document, and will talk about the lives of those who attended the ceremony.

Those present represented Quaker society of West Jersey and Philadelphia. The Deputy Governor of the Jerseys, the head of a family of famous silversmiths, the wealthiest man in the Colonies, several mayors of Philadelphia, and a ship's captain were among those who gave their blessing to Elizabeth Haddon and John Estaugh as they embarked upon a marriage marked by unswerving devotion to each other and dedication to their life's work.

You will be fascinated to learn what one piece of paper can divulge. You will be equally fascinated to hear about the detective work that Betty and Stuart had to do to make the complete story emerge.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The many activities scheduled for the Society are included in this Bulletin, starting with the regular meeting on September twenty-first. Much time and effort have been expended in the preparation of these events, and they deserve the support and participation of the entire membership.

It is always with sadness and sympathy that we learn of the death of any one of our members. This was particularly true this past summer. The sudden death of Gertrude Hess, in the midst of working on a number of projects, while stunning her many friends, exemplified her way of life. Her interest in varied volunteer services, her concern and friendship for individuals, and her yeoman's service and dedication to the Library of the Society made her a model one would like to emulate.

The Board of Trustees of the Society voted unanimously to name the Library "The Gertrude Hess Memorial Library", as a tribute to her devotion to the task of making it possible for the Society to have one of the finest in the area containing historical data. A significant plaque will be placed in the Library.

A memorial poem ending with the lines..."complete these unfinished tasks of mine and I therein may comfort you"...might have been written by Gertrude to any one of us.

Dorothy B. McGlade
President

HERITAGE DAY

Dont forget "Heritage Day" on September 11. This is the popular name for the 300th anniversary celebration of William Penn's Agreements for the Acquisition of East and West Jersey Lands in 1682. The daylong festivities will be held in Old Medford Village, starting at 10 a.m. (Rain date September 18). The center of the Old Village is Cranberry Hall, on Main Street, two blocks south of the traffic circle at the junction of Routes 70 and 541.

The day is sponsored by the Rancocas Valley chapter of the Society of Colonial Dames, with many ancestral and historical societies represented, including our own. Our Society will have a booth for the sale of commemorative items. Tickets are only \$1.00, and we will receive 100% of the price of each ticket sold by our Society. What an easy and pleasant way to earn some money for our important projects!

THE SOCIETY'S ANNUAL AUCTION

October 2, 1982

Starting at 10 a.m.

When rain forced the Society's June Fair indoors, it did not dampen the spirits of any of the participants. The day was very successful, and proceeds of approximately \$3,000 will be available to support the ongoing work of the Society. However, the annual auction, usually held outdoors during the Fair, had to be postponed. The new date is October second.

The auction will be held on the grounds of Greenfield Hall, starting at 10 a.m. Items to be auctioned for the benefit of the Society have been donated by members and their friends. Some of the interesting collectibles that will be available are old prints, tools, pictures, two washboards, a wicker doll coach, tinware, an ironstone pottery pitcher and basin, a small ladderback rocker with a rush seat, a mahogany end table, a brass menorah candlestick, needlepoint pieces, and a large and lovely framed piece of Egyptian applique needlework.

Additional donations would be appreciated. Items may be taken to the Hip Roof House any Tuesday morning between 10 a.m. and noon, or you may telephone Mrs. Ruby Oberst at 859-8204 or Mrs. Richard Walter at 428-3314.

Most important is your presence on October second! help make the auction a huge success by inviting your friends and neighbors to join you in the fun.

Members may be interested to know that Robert Teitelman, a frequent speaker at our meetings, currently has an exhibition of his work at the Free Library of Philadelphia on Logan Circle. On display are William Birch prints of 18th century Philadelphia scenes, together with Mr. Teitelman's photographs of the same sites in 1960 and again in 1982. The photographs are from a new book by Mr. Teitelman.

HELP CELEBRATE 300 YEARS OF HADDONFIELD HISTORY ON OCTOBER 23

On October 23, 1982 the Society will join in a community-wide celebration commemorating the 300th anniversary of Haddonfield's founding. Greenfield Hall will be the scene of a colonial crafts exhibit and demonstration, sponsored by the Education Committee. All of the participants will be in appropriate costume.

From 1 to 5 p.m. the public is invited to see demonstrations of spinning, weaving, quilling, cross stitch embroidery, carpentry, candlemaking, caning, rushing, basket weaving, printing, and cooking of the period (circa 1682). In addition, there will be puppet shows and a Case Room exhibit.

On the grounds of Greenfield Hall there will be encampments of the Second New Jersey Regiment of the Colonial Line and the Olde Fort Mifflin Garrison. There will be tents, campfires and cooking, tactical manouvers, and demonstrations of the making of lead musket balls.

Between 2 and 4 p.m. the Woman's Committee will serve tea to the accompaniment of baroque music played on the clavichord.

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